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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG IZ

SUBJECT: HIGH OIL PRICES

REF: STATE 116802

1. REFTEL DATED AUGUST 1 APPARENTLY JUST MISSED COURIER
IN BEIRUT LAST WEEK AND NOT RECEIVED BAGHDAD UNTIL AUG 9.

2. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, MARKETING OF IRAQI OIL IS
RESPONSIBILITY OF HIGH POWERED "FOLLOW-UP/ COMMITTEE
HADED BY RCC VICE CHAIRMAN SADDAM HUSSEIN. USINT HAS
HAD NOT CONTACT ON OIL MATTERS WITH "FOLLOW-UP" COMMITTEE
AND IT IS UNLIKELY TO OBTAIN APPOINTMENT, IF REQUESTED
DIRECTLY, SINCE APPOINTMENTS MUST BE AMDE THROUGH MFA.

3. MFA BELIEVED TO HAVE VIRTUALLY SO SAY IN OIL MATTERS.
NEVERTHELESS, I BELIEVE BEST CHANCE OF GETTING DEMARCHE
TO RIGHT PEOPLE IS THROUGH NEW CHANNEL IN FOREIGN MINISTER'S
OFFICE AND I DELIVERED AID MEMOIRE TO FOREIGN MINISTER'S
SPECIAL ASSISTANT AL-ZUBAIDI ON AUGUST 11. IN ADDITION
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I REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH MEMBER OF "FOLLOW-UP" COMMITTEE

FOR PURPOSE OF OBTAINING AUTHORITATIVE EXPLANATION
OF IRAQI POLICY ON OIL PRICES. ZUBAIDI PROMISED TO TRY TO ARRANGE
APPOINTMENT.

4. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE FROM BAGHDAD 470 ON
IRAQ'S OPPOSITION TO SAUDI OIL POLICY, ARGUMENTS PUT FORTH
IN STATE 116802 DIAMETRICALLY OPPOSED TO GOI PUBLIC
POSITION. LOWRIE

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